

HOWARD COUNTY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

9770 Patuxent Woods Drive, Suite 200

Columbia, MD 21046

Monday, June 01, 2015 at 4:00 PM

Regular Open Board Meeting

PERSONS ATTENDING:

Board Members:

Donna Thewes – Board President

Ann Balcerzak – Board Vice President

Ray Rankin – Democratic Member

Patrick Mullinix – Republican

Diane Butler – Republican (Sub)

Mike Molinaro – Board Counsel

Absent:

Carol Hart – Board Secretary

Staff:

Guy C. Mickley – Director

Charlotte B. Davis – Deputy Director

Visitors:

OPEN SESSION: Ms. Balcerzak, Board President, called the June Open Board Meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. with an established quorum present.

Mr. Wayne Robey, Howard County Clerk of Circuit Court, was in attendance to swear in the Board Members for the new term. Afterwards, the first order of business was to vote on who would be the new President and Vice-President for the new term. Donna Thewes was nominated by Patrick Mullinix for President and a second was voiced by Ray Rankin. By unanimous vote, Donna Thewes became the new President. A nomination was made for Ann

Balcerzak as Vice-President by Ray Rankin and a second was voiced by Patrick Mullinix. By unanimous vote was Ann Balcerzak became the Vice-President.

The minutes, from the Regular Open Boarding Meeting, from April 27, 2015, were read and approved by a motion from Vice President Ann Balcerzak and a second voiced by Patrick Mullinix. By unanimous approval the minutes were accepted.

UPDATES and CORRESPONDENCE:

PRESIDENT REPORT: President Thewes presented outgoing President Balcerzak a small token from the previous Board membership as a Thank You for her time served.

No other information available at this time.

DIRECTOR REPORT: Mr. Mickley shared the registration statistics, which show a slight increase due to end of school annual high school registrations drive. Otherwise, minimal activity has occurred within the office over the last few months. Due to minimal work for the five warehouse Temps at the office or warehouse, Director Guy shared that he has loaned them to assist SBE at the State warehouse doing acceptance testing on the equipment.

The Board members were reminded of the MAEO Conference scheduled for the following week. Mr. Mickley stated that he was not going to give any updates on the new voting system today since the new voting system will be discussed at the conference.

It appears that the Petition lawsuit is again going nowhere at this time. Counselor Karpenski, representing the Howard County Board and Counselor Molinaro had been in contact with each other. Counselor Molinaro informed the group that the petitioners had until Friday (June 05, 2015) to file their brief. It is a wait and sees status at this time. Counselor Karpenski indicated if the brief is filed he will need to respond to that filing.

NEW BUSINESS: President Thewes would like to discuss a personnel issue regarding Counselor Molinaro in closed session.

COUNSELOR REPORT: Mr. Molinaro informed the Board members that a former Board Counselor, Charles Reese, had recently passed away.

Counselor Molinaro shared that at the MAEO conference Attorney Break-Out meeting, the new procedures for petitions is scheduled to be discussed.

OLD/UPDATED BUSINESS: President Thewes announced she had three more simulated Congressional Hearings to complete.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further discussion of any other Reports and no additional business to discuss, President Thewes called for a motion to close the meeting. A motion was made by Ray Rankin to close the Open Meeting and reopen in Executive Session and the motion received a second by Patrick Mullinix. A unanimous vote was expressed by all.

The Open Board meeting closed at 4:26 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: The board opened in Executive Session at 4:26 pm. The purpose requiring a closed session was to discuss personnel matters.

The Executive Session was closed at 4:30 pm with a motion from Ray Rankin and a second by Patrick Mullinix. A unanimous agreement was voiced by all.

The next scheduled Open Board Meeting will be on August 24, 2015 at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

G. Carol Hart, Board Secretary

Donna Thewes, Board President